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In re application of:

VROTACOE 09/767,108

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For:

FLOW-RESTRICTED PRINTING CYLINDER FOR A REMOVABLE PRINTING SLEEVE

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response to First Office Action (5 pgs) in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established. Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27. []

No fee for additional claims is required. [X]

A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required: []

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FOR:	REMAINING	HIGHEST	1	L RAT	re Fee	<u>OR</u>	RATE FEE
	AFTER	PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT	_			
	AMENDMENT	PAID FOR	EXTRA	_			
TOTAL CLAIMS	* Minus	** =	0	x \$	9 \$	Д.	x \$ 18 \$
INDEP. CLAIMS	* Minus	*** =	0	x \$	42 \$		x \$ 84 \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM + \$140 \$ + \$280 \$							

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If the entry in Co. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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Also transmitted herewith are: []

[] Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (in duplicate)

[] Other:

Check(s) in the amount of \$.00 is/are attached to cover: []

[] Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16

[] Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136

[] Other:

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this [X] communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by [X] check submitted herewith.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17. [X]

[X] Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith,

and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR

1.136.

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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

October 18, 2002

Sir:

In response to the office action dated July 18, 2002, please reconsider the aboveidentified application based on the following remarks and amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the following claims:

4. (Amended) The printing cylinder as recited in claim 1 wherein the cylinder body has a work side end and a gear side end, the outer surface having a plurality of other holes located axially between the at least one hole and the work side end.

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7. (Amended) The printing cylinder as recited in claim 1 wherein the cylinder body has a work side end and a gear side end, at least one hole being spaced closer to the gear side end than the work side end.